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SUBJECT: EMBASSY PRESS STATEMENT ON RADIO LIBERTY

1. FOLLOWING IS A PRESS STATEMENT ON RADIO LIBERTY DISCUSSION WITH FOREIGN MINISTER AREILZA WHICH EMBASSY PLANS TO USE ON AN IF ASKED BASIS: "UNITED STATES AMBASSADOR WELLS STABLER; DAVID ABSHIRE, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD FOR FOR INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING; WALTER ROBERTS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, BOARD FOR INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING, AND SIG MICKELSON, PRESIDENT OF RADIO FREE WUROP/RADIO LIBERTY, CALLED ON FOREIGN MINISTER JOSE MARIA AREILZA TODAY. DURING THE COURSE OF THE DISCUSSION, WHICH WAS FRIENDLY AND CORDIAL, MR. ABSHIRE EXPLAINED IN DETAIL THE ROLE OF RADIO LIBERTY AND THE IMPORTANCE WHICH THE U.S. ATTACHED TO ITS ACTIVITIES. HE PROPOSED TO THE SPANISH GOVERNEMENT THAT RADIO LIBERTY CONTRACT BE EXTENDED FOR A PERIOD OF 3 TO 5 YEARS. THE FOREIGN MINISTER SAID THAT THE SPANISH GOVERNMENT WOULD STUDY THE AMERICAN PROPOSAL. HE ALSO STATED THAT NEGOTIATIONS CONCERNING THE PERIOD OF EXTENSION AND MODALITIES WOULD COMMENCE IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE".

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2. AREILZA CONCURRED WITH STATEMENT.

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